

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of:) Confirmation No. 5753
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Application No.: 10/579,830) Group Art Unit: 4161
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Filed: May 17, 2006) Examiner: Douglas M Willis
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FOR: PYRROLO-PYRAZINE DERIVATIVES)
USEFUL AS CB1-MODULATORS)

Date: September 22, 2008

RESPONSE TO RESTICTION REQUIREMENT
AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

This is in response to the non-final Action mailed May 20, 2008 making a restriction requirement, the time for responding to which has been extended to and including September 22, 2008 (September 20 being a Saturday) by Petition and authorization for payment of fee submitted herewith. As discussed more fully in the Remarks below, Applicant hereby elects the invention of Group I, with the election of species made in the Remarks below.

Prior to taking up this Application for a first Action on the merits, please amend the claims as follows to be consistent with elected invention.

Amendment to the Specification begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.